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Subject: Detail opportunity -- Bristol Bay Project Manager

Region 10 -- The purpose of this email is to solicit the interest of qualified GS-13 and -14 Region 10 employees in a 120-day detail opportunity to serve as the interim GS-14 Bristol Bay Project Manager in the Office of Ecosystems, Tribal and Public Affairs.

As you have probably heard, Region 10 recently initiated a process under Section 404(c) of the Clean Water Act to identify options to protect the world's largest sockeye salmon fishery in Bristol Bay, Alaska from the potentially destructive impacts of the proposed Pebble Mine. While EPA could decide not to proceed further at any time, if it does proceed, the steps in the Clean Water Act Section 404(c) review process would include:

- · Consultation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and owners of the site;
- Publication of a proposed determination, including proposed prohibitions or restrictions on mining the Pebble deposit, for public comment and one or more public hearings;
- Review of public comments and development of a recommended determination by the Regional Administrator to the Assistant Administrator for Water; and
- · A second consultation period with the Army Corps and site owners and development of a Final Determination by the Assistant Administrator for Water, including any final prohibitions or restrictions on mining the Pebble deposit.

Until her retirement last week, Sheila Eckman worked as the Bristol Bay Project Manager, managing the diverse technical, policy, legal and administrative work assigned to the large team of HQ and Regional staff, contractors, and SEEs who developed the January 2014 Bristol Bay Assessment and the Section 404(c) initiation letter that the Region sent in February. Our plan is to seek an immediate detail not to exceed 120 days to fill in behind Sheila while we advertise a one-year term GS-14 competitive promotion opportunity to work on follow up actions to the Bristol Bay Assessment. The successful candidate for the 120-day detail could be a GS-13 (temporary promotion potential to GS-14) or a GS-14 (lateral).

We are seeking someone with exceptional project management and communication skills to fill this 120-day detail position. Experience working on projects involving the Clean Water Act, tribes, and Alaska issues is highly preferred. Familiarity with the FOIA process and information